Amendments to the Specification:

Before paragraph [0005] delete the heading "Object of the Invention" and substitute therefor the following heading:

Summary of the Invention

Please delete paragraphs [0006] and [0007] in their entirety:

[0006]   ~~This object is solved according to the invention through the characteristics of patent claim 1.~~

[0007]   ~~Advantageous embodiments and advanced versions of the invention are given in the dependent patent claims.~~

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012]   The WIM internally counts each signature initiated by the subscriber. When a preset number of signatures have been performed, no further signatures are possible until this function has been released again. The release occurs via the air interface of the mobile communication network (over the air) using a corresponding SAT application (SAT: SIM Application Toolkit) implemented on the SIM card and can only take place via the network operator. At the same time as the release, the number of possible signatures can be reset. A counting of each individual signature in the mobile communication network is not required.

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